

Remarks

The Official Action mailed July 21, 2009 has been carefully considered. Allowance of the subject application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

Claims 1, 2 and 7-20 remain pending in the application.

Claims 7-10, 12-16 and 18-20 have been withdrawn.

As an initial matter, section headings have been added to the specification, as requested by the Examiner and as detailed in the Amendments to the Specification portion of this paper. No new matter was added.

Claim 2 has been amended to remove the word “the” from the phrase “the said arm”. No new matter has been entered.

Claims 1, 2 11 and 17 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, on the grounds of being indefinite for use of the phrase “or the like” in claims 1, 11 and 17. That phrase has been removed from claims 1, 11 and 17. No new matter has been entered.

In addition, claim 11 was said to have an insufficient antecedent basis for “an energy guide chain system according to claim 1”. The word “an” has been changed to “the”. No new matter has been entered.

Further, claim 17 appears to have insufficient antecedent basis for “the movable connection”, the second time that it is used. Claim 17 has been amended to recite “the movable connection point” in both instances. No new matter has been entered.

The Examiner has noted that claims 1, 2, 11 and 17 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as set forth in the Office Action mailed July 21, 2009. This has been done as discussed above. Applicant greatly appreciates the indication of allowable subject matter.

Having dealt with all the objections raised by the Examiner, it is respectfully submitted that the present application, as amended, is in condition for allowance. Thus, early allowance is earnestly solicited.

If the Examiner desires personal contact for further disposition of this case, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned Attorney at 603.668.6560.

In the event there are any fees due, please charge them to our Deposit Account No. 50-121.

Respectfully submitted,

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